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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: K. Geisel

In re Application of:

Paul MELLER

Application No.: 09/680,436

Filed: October 6, 2000

For: SPECTROPHOTOMETRIC AND

NEPHELOMETRIC DETECTION

UNIT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of November 6, 2002. A fee of \$930.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

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